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Subject: Re: Kipp raingarden/bikepath PCB excavation #12
Attachments: 2017.10.20.pcb sampling history.docx

Hello,

I hope you are all well in these crazy times. We are demoralized and feel that our work is useless and futile, but we slog on anyway.

We came across the attached document from DNR (Oct. 2017). As we already knew, the shallow wells that have never been tested for dissolved or total PCBs include MW 12S, which is on the northeastern corner of the site, on city land along the stormwater drainage and raingarden area found to have PCB levels of up to 1020 in soils.

Can you explain why this shallow groundwater there would never be tested for PCBs, given that the soils were so highly contaminated? This shallow groundwater is just feet from residences.

We've asked this question for years to no avail. The DNR has not been willing to address my questions for a very long time. Do you have any insights?

Thanks,
 Maria

On 5/12/2017 1:44 PM, Maria Powell (MEJO) wrote:
 > PCB excavation #12 at the Kipp raingarden and bikepath--May 12, 2017.
 > See attached.
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 > The water table there is about 3-4 feet down right now (there has been
 > a lot of rain). Yet nobody will test the groundwater there for PCBs.
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 > We have totally given up on any government agency at any level caring
 > about protecting public health in this highly publicly used area.
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 > Just FYI.
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